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Dear Paul;

Here is a duplicate copy  
of the letter I read at your scoping  
meeting, Oct 17, 2002, at the Roberts  
Island Farm Center.

Thank you for listening to our  
concerns, and taking into consideration,  
alternatives to placing the permanent  
barrier storage, parking, and access road  
on the North side, (Roberts Island) of Old River.

Sincerely

Jackie Cordes

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Dear Mr. Marshall:

My name is Jacquelyn Cordes, and my family and I are the owners of the property on the north side of the head of Old River, on Roberts Island, in San Joaquin County, California. Our property, along with the rest of Roberts Island, is located in the Primary Zone of the Delta requiring all public and private management and development activities within the zone to be consistent with the goals, policies and provisions of the "Land Use and Resource Management Plan for the Primary Zone of the Delta" as adopted and as may be amended by the Delta Protection Commission.

The Department of Water Resources has in past years constructed at the Head of Old River, adjoining our property, a temporary fish barrier in the spring and fall of each year. Now, the Department is moving forward with plans to build a permanent barrier at this same location. The plans that I have seen for that permanent barrier call for the construction on the north side, or the Roberts Island side, of Old River, and as a part of the permanent barrier facility, a permanent storage area, parking area and private road access.

As the landowner of the property adjoining this location, we have vehemently opposed the construction of these items on the north side of the Old River. Our objections are based, in part, upon the following:

1. The property on the south side of Old River — Stewart Tract — is not in the primary zone of the Delta. There are plans now moving forward to remove this land from agriculture and to develop it into a residential-commercial development.

2. There is currently adjoining the proposed location of the permanent barrier a public, county road that would provide access for the proposed uses associated with the permanent barrier.
3. There is no public road on Roberts Island, adjoining the location of the proposed permanent barrier. Access to this area would either be across dirt and/or gravel roads on our ranch or along the top of the Reclamation District levee surrounding our property. These roads are not adequate for the traffic that would be generated by the facilities being proposed in connection with the permanent barrier.
4. The placement of these structures on Roberts Island would be a detriment to our ranch and would create additional problems for us with respect to trespassers crossing our ranch to get to the location of the barrier.

Our opposition goes back to when the first plans for the permanent barriers were presented in 1986. We have continually since that time submitted letters of opposition to this phase of your plans. We have discussed our opposition with the many different individuals from the Department of Water Resources who have contacted us, asking for our cooperation in looking into the feasibility of permanent barrier at this location. Each time we were told that the Department would take note of our objections and pass them on to the planners. And each time, the plans continue to show the construction of these items on the north side of Old River. To date, no one from the Department of Water Resources has responded to our concerns or contacted us with respect to addressing this matter.

There is no logical reason to put the parking, storage structure and access road on Roberts Island when public use and access is already available or is being planned as a part of the Stewart Tract development. There is no reason to invade the prime agriculture land on Roberts Island for the construction and placement of these facilities.

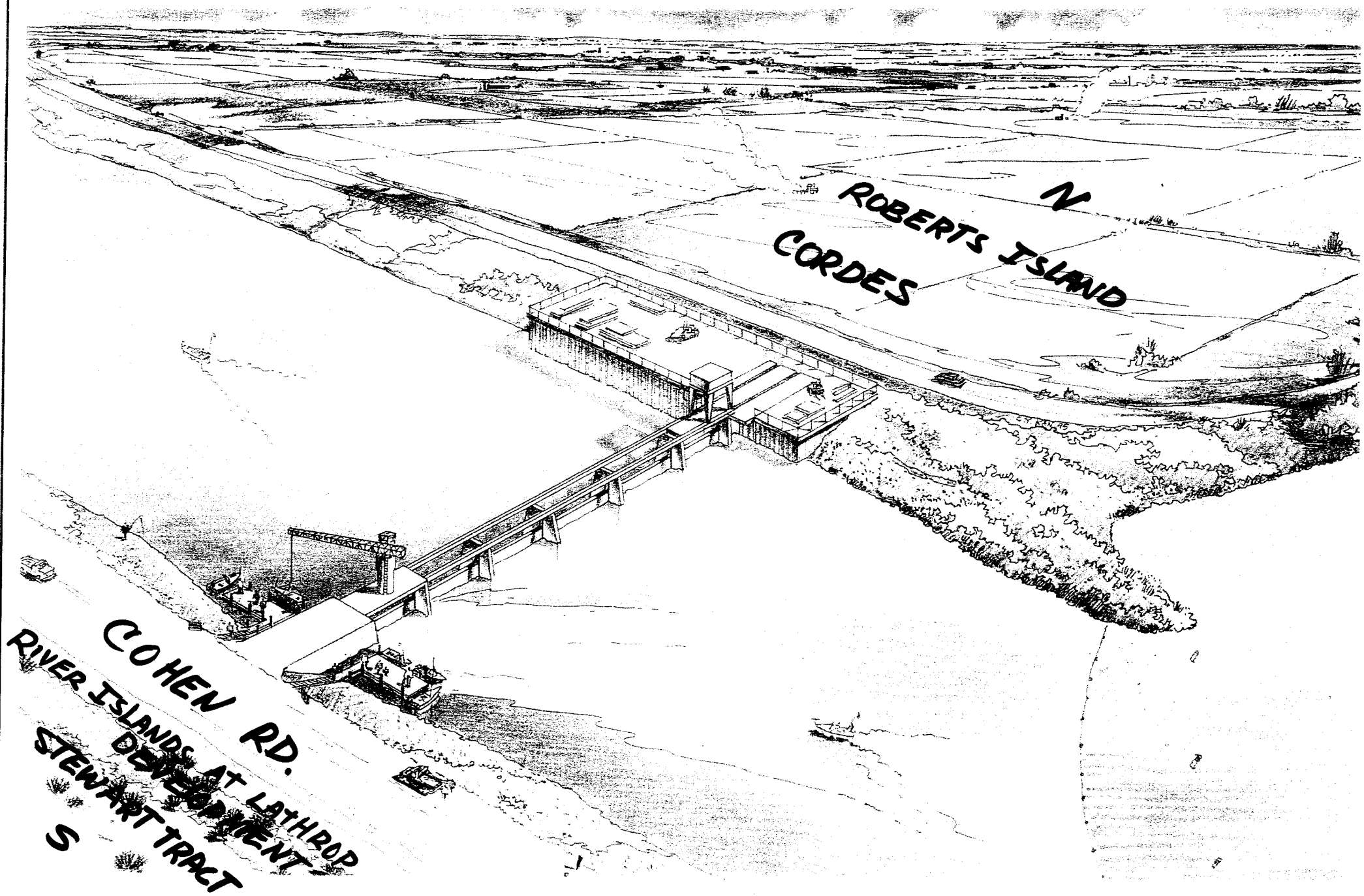
We understand that there may be a benefit to all concerned to place a barrier at this location at the Head of Old River, but there is no benefit to invading the prime agricultural area of the Delta with these facilities when they can just as easily be placed on the south side of Old River, outside of the primary zone of the Delta.

Please give this matter your serious consideration. If you should wish to contact us regarding this matter, my address, telephone number and fax number are given above.

Yours very truly,

JACQUELYN CORDES

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